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In re Patent Application of:
Elaine L. Jacobson et al.

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For: METHODS FOR INCREASING LEPTIN
LEVELS USING NICOTINIC ACID
COMPOUNDS

Examiner: A. A. Lewis

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of December 27, 2007, applicants elect improved skin epitheliation, the second condition listed in the election of species.

Claims 13, 15, and 18-21 read thereon.

Please amend this application as follows: